OF BLACK HAND

Nicola Cappiello, the Contractor Who Paid \$1,000 to the Italian Band that Threatened to Take His Life.

ARM OF ORDER REACHES ACROSS THE SEA FOR HIM.

Five Men Held in \$2,000 Bail Each in Brooklyn for Making Threats and Forcing Their Victim to Pay \$1,000.

Out of Calabria, that province in the toe of Italy where the famous brigand Mussalino and his banditti ruled by sword so long, an arm of the "Order of the Black Hand" has stretched across the sea to strike at the life of Nicola Cappiello, a wealthy dock contractor, who lives at No. 107 Second place, Brooklyn.

Five Italians-Anunzieto Lingari, Beaggio Giordano, Fortunado Castellano and Mariano Esposito-accused by the police of constituting the local branch of the "Black Hand." were to-day held in the Adams Street Court, Brooklyn, to answer before the Grand Jury, each under ball in \$2,000.

Their victim. Cappiello, took the witness stand against them, and though the defendants glared at him he told the story of how he had been black-mailed, which the Court considered sufficient evidence to warrant sending the case before a jury. His doughty nephew-in-law also gave his testimony and when the five so-called "Black Hand" agents glared viciously at him he sneered. It was this witness, Enrico Maresca, who procured admissions from Esposito, Castellano and Lingari that the \$1.000 extorted from Cappiello ha been divided among the five.
Said They Confessed to Him.

"They told me," swore Maresca, "that they had got the money. They had told my uncle that I was one of the 'Black Hand' and that they had delivered it to me, so I said if tat was so I was going to get my share. I demanded \$200 as my part and they refused to give it to me. They had spent the money, and then Lingari said it would he easy to get more from the old man. He said that we could send another letter from the 'Black Hand' and that we would get more than \$1,000 the next

None of the defendants would consent to be sworn. Antonio Jordano, who was arrested early to-day, it was feared by the other four, would turn State's evidence, but at the last moment he weak-He grew very nervous when he came into the court-room and saw the scowling faces of the prisoners at the bar and the black looks of others in the audience. Already it has wrung from him \$1,000. Now it wants more, and if it is not forthcoming, it says, it will

Anunzieto Lingari is a Calabrian and the others, it is said are from the fastnesses of the Sicilian mountains, whence Mussalino and his daring bands would fly across the Straits of Messina when troops presed them.

Cappiello is thoroughly scared, and had it not been for Enrico Maresca, the doughty little husband of the contractor's niece, he would have gone on pay ing money to the quartet, who wrote upon the receipt of the thousand that it was like a cup of good coffee, but they would ask for a whole meal. The meal, the thought, would be most acceptable in the form of \$4,000 in cur-

pay any more money to those robbers and I shall tell the police.

take my life." said Cappiello. "Bah!" said Maresca, "We will see," and away he started with a letter from the "Black Hand" to appeal, to Capt.

will see no one but members of his family, who fear how, especially the women folk, that when Lingari "kisses" Maresca that it will be with a bullet or a knife in the dark. a knife in the dark.

Began Two Months Ago. It was on Monday last that Maresca

informed the police of the blackmail of the "Black Hand." It had been two months since Capplello had given two months since Cappiello had given the "cup of good coffee," and the demands for the "meal" were insistent. The amount in the last demand for the meal was cut to \$5,000. Thus was it asked:

"Cappiello: Me and my brothers demand that you come to 72 and Thirteenth avenue. Brooklyn, 10 o'clock Tuesday with \$3,000, on a penalty of being blown to pieces you and your family. Do not dare to call in police or your lawyers as you are watched.

"The RLACK HAND."

The Audubon, formerly the Oriental Hotel, at Thirty-ninth street and Broadway was sold yesterday to the Royal Realty Company, for \$750,000, by Mrs. Matilda Brower. The deal is one of the largest made in Broadway property for some time and was a cash transaction, no real estate being taken in part payment.

For years the Audubon has been leased by Park & Tilford, who occupied the lower floor and sub-let the upper floors. The rental received under

The writing was in Italian, and when Cappiello did not appear at the place appointed for the extortion this threat was delivered the first thing the next morning:

"You failed to appear to-night, and for that the amount is increased to \$10,000. Come to the same place to-night or be blown to pleces. Again we warn you to keep away from the police and lawyers.

"THE BLACK HAND."

Appealed to Fortunado.



would soon be a pauper."
"I will see my friends, who know the committee of the society." promised Castellano, and the "friends" were introduced in the persons of Marino Esposito, Breggio Jordano, and Anunvieto Lingari.

posito. Breggio solidate in Camptello's house, and it was Lingari vao informed the wealthy contractor in a voice of pity that nothing in the world could save him. He would have to pay the money

or die.

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Tour friend. Castellano, has told me of

your trouble and what a good man you
are, and I have implored the order on
my bended knees to let you alone. It
is useless."

Castellano had said up to this time
that the threats were only "bluffs."

When he heard Lingari he thought that
it would be better if Cappielio paid the
"Black Hand."

Here it was that Meresca took a hand, and the quartet was arrested. Castellano and Esposito secured ball, but their accused companions failed, although they tried hard to effect their

although they tried had been all the release.

The threatening letters continued, and it has been all that Capt Formosa has been able to get Cappiello to stand by the prosecution. He believes in the "Black Hand," although he protests that he does not. This is the last threat which came to him through the mails yesterday. It was left at the Post-Office, and the contractor had to send Maresca with the postage to secure it:

Nicola Cappiello.

Ve lo giuro sul l'onor mio che
durante questo mese sarete ucciso.

IA MANO NERA e sequire tutto.

The English of this reads:
Nicola Cappiello.
I swear to you on my honor that during this month you will be killed.
THE BLACK HAND will follow all.

they would ask for a whole meal. The meal, the thought, would be most acceptable in the form of \$4,000 in currency.

He Stops the Payments.

"No," said Maresca, "you will not pay any more money to those robbers and I shall tell the police."

"But if you tell the police they will take my life," said Cappiello.

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the "Black Hand" to appeal, to Capt.
Formosa for protection.

On his way to the police he met Lingari. The latter would make two of Maresca, who stands a shade under five feet, but Cappiello's nephew has more than the usual fire of his race in him, and he faced the so-called agent of the "Black Hand."

"You want money from my uncle!" he blurted out, "You say you will kill him. Bah! You will not kill any one. If you want to fight I will fight you."

"Shall it be pistols?" inquired Lingari.

"Anything you please," said Maresca, and back he ran to his house. Returning a few minutes later, he said: "Now I am ready; I have my pistol."

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"The Society of the Bad Blood," known also under the generic name to Manou in this country, nor in New York, where it has perfert a black Hand" has been seen here. The latter has but none purpose—extortion. The alternative is death. A member who has been injured may invoke the vengeance of the society if he be unable to carry out his wor vendetta. It is sworn to uphold him in unlawful acts and protect him when caught from the pennities of justice.

"The Order of the Back Hand" was first heard of in 1825 in Naples, where it was formed among the prisoners them in the castle of the famous Neapolitan capital. The symbol and the name of the order was that of Piccioto di Sgarro, the high executioner of the Camorra, who was dreaded, and the mere mention of whose name made people cross themselves and little children cry.

The Audubon, formerly the Oriental

pled the lower floor and sub-let the upper floors. The rental received under the lease is \$25,000. The upper floors of the building rent for \$30,000, which is \$5,000 more than the lessee pays Mrs.

Brewer.
The lease of the property runs until 1906 and the intention of the buyer is said to be to improve it by building

large, modern hotel.

The surprise in real estate circles was due to the fact that for years the place Cappielo had what he termed a "sood has been looked upon as not in the riend" in Fortunado Castellano, and market. It was part of the estate left in appealed to him for advice.
"I cannot pay the money, because I that name in this city for years.

ONCE TOO OFTEN

Darico Had Had Many Narrow Escapes Before He Walked Out of a Fourth-Story Win dow To-Day.

Since he was a child Vincenzo Darico has been a sleep-walker. He is now thirty years old, and had met no serious injury until to-day, when he walked out of a fourth-story window of his home. No. 229 East One Hundred skull. The physicians at Harlem Hospital believe he will die

in the past, his friends say. They tell of one occasion in Italy when, while in the mountains, he walked from a ledge of rock from which it was Dr. Charles McCreedy, rector of Holy a sheer descent of 200 feet. His sash Cross Church and Dean of Maynooth raught a projecting rock less than fifty University.

But he has had many narrow escapes

the Superior of the Union of the Im maculate Virgin and St. Joseph's Mission, at No. 2 Lafayette place, announced on his return to-day from Hart ford, Conn., that he had caused the Patrolman Accused Prisoner, but conviction of a swindler in that town who had been collecting money on false pretenses.

represented himself as being attached to ing he looked as though he had passed the Union and had collected money from through a threshing machine. His head several persons in Hartford.

REMOVING BODY OF

MAN WHO CARS HE IS INKEATENED BY HALIAN CONSPIRATORS

AND TWO OF THE MEN HE HAS HAD ARRESTED FOR SENDING MENACING LETTERS.

Noted Gaelic Scholar, Who Died in California Four Years Ago, Will Be Buried at Maynooth University.

feet from the top. He was rescued at As quietly as possible the body wil daylight after hanging there for a couple be carried on board the Campania to-On another occasion he stepped from final resting place in Ireland. a train while going to work out of officials of the Cunard line objected to town, but escaped with a few bruises. the plan for a funeral procession of the Last night he walked from the rear room of the flat to the front window, sons object to travelling on an ocean and before those in the front room were thoroughly awake he was on the sill people insisted that the body be placed

CASE OF MUTUAL ASSAULT.

Latter Was Most Battered. When Patrick Mulkin, a house-mover of No. 245 West Thirty-fifth street, was The priest said the man was Edward arraigned before Judge Newburger, in J. Reilly, alias Francis Murray. He had Part I. of General Sessions this mornwas bandaged, his right arm in splints

by Wednesday last Father Dougherty stated that a man, who was misrepresenting in a similar manner, was visiting persons in this city and warned the public against him.

MINES CLOSE FOR TWO DAYC.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—Seven anthracite collieries operated by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the Wyoming. Shamokin, and Schuylkin districts will be closed down to-day and Saturday. About 20,000, men and boys will be idle two days.

was bandaged, his right arm in splints and his face a mass of bruises.

"What is he charged with?" Judge Newburger asked Clerk Penney.
"Charged with assaulting an officer," was the reply.
"Looks as though the boot should be on the other foot, said the Judge.
Thirty-seventh street station, was the complainant against Mulkin asserting that Mulkin had "struck him several blows about the head and face with his elenched fists."

Judge Newburger assigned ex-Judge Stephen S. Blake to defend Mulkin, and instructed the District-Attorney to thoroughly investigate the case.

of Father Eugen O'Growney, the noted Gaelic scholar who died in California four years ago. was removed from the Cathedral to the chapel of St. Bridgid and St. Bernard. A solemn requiem high mass was cele-

morrow morning, to be taken to its

PRIEST PURSUES SWINDLER.

An escort of prominent Irishmen came with the casket from the West and was met in Jersey City by representatives of the Irish societies of New York. The casket res ed in the Cathedral last night, where a guard of honor was stationed. After a special service in the Cathedral at Dublin, the body will be taken to its final resting place at the University of Maynooth.

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FATHER O'GROWNEY

Como Sun Sal Surante questo n

DINNER TO JUDGE FOSTER.

Elaborate preparations are making for the dinner to be tendered Judge Foster.

of the Court of General Samples 10. of the Court of General Sessions, tonorrow night at the Hotel Savoy. Judge oster has just returned from a three nonths' trip abroad. Covers will be laid or 125. Among those who have aces O'Gorman, Bischoff and Dugro, of le Supreme Court: Judges Newburger ad Cowing: of the Court of General essions; Justices McKean and Olmsted,

BEAGG10

JORDANO.

MAN'S BODY IN RIVER.

ANUNZIETO LINGRIE.

The body of a man about twenty-fiv years old was picked up to-day at the foot of Pacific street, Brooklyn. The face was clean shaven, the hair light eyes blue, height 5 feet 9 inches and weight 165 pounds. The body was clad only in a pair of drawers and low black shoes. It had been in the water a long

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iots, cassimeres, worsteds, tweeds and undressed worsteds. Medium length overcoats of black Thibet, silk lined to edge of

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A First-Class Business Suit-\$20.00. Suits for men, single or double breasted sack coat models, of Cheviot, Tweed or Worsted, in the new shades of gray, olive or two-tone brown, in 15 distinctive designs. They are well worth the twenty dollars we ask for them.

A Sale of Fall Hats for Men.

Value \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00, at \$2.25 No matter what manner of head you have, we have a hat to dress it at a price which makes the saving well worth your while. For Saturday we will offer Derby Hats of the highest grade, the product of a hat-man whose blocks influence the fashions. The mode is include the new narrowbrim effects, to which we gave the initial presentation. The true value of the hats is \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00; for Saturday-\$2.25.

A Sale of Shoes for Men.

While our three-fifty shoes ever were as good as the best of them, our designer was bent upon making them a little better than the best. He and the manufacturer put their heads together. The result is a three-fifty shoe which is about as good as we have ever seen at that price. You may have them of Corona colt, imported Cordovan or box calf skin, welt stitched soles of choicest oak leather. The lasts are exact reproductions of five-dollar shoes.

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Fall Furnishings for Men.

A quiet good taste marks the shirts for Autumn wear-at least those which have found a place with us. Overplaids in subdued colors predominate, though striped and figured effects are presented in no mean numbers. If you find a pattern to your liking, you need not hesitate relative to the fit or finish of the garment-we will pledge ourselves so far as they are concerned.

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